with their Indonesian features? Whence came the present-day Filipinos of Malay origin? Does a lost white tribe exist in some remote region in the interior of Mindoro and another in Mindanao? Is the Philippines a remnant of a vast continent of the Pacific which, like its mythological rival Atlantis of the Atlantic, long since sank beneath the waves, or did the Philippines once form a part of the continent of Asia, or was the Philippines attached to the Australian continental mass? Were the Islands in ages past known as "Ophir," the country that supplied King Solomon with precious gold? Was the Philippines a part of the great Sumatran State, Shri-Vishaya, or a part of the equally great Javanese State, Madjapahit, or a part of a vast Chinese empire of unknown name? Or are these theories untenable? Instead, was the Philippines, together with Borneo, an independent state ruled by an imperial Philippine family which traced its descent from Philip of Macedon? And the names linked by legend to the Philippines, like Sinbad, Marco Polo, Mohammed, and Alexander the Great, were they really authentic figures in Philippine history?

Sinbad! Sinbad the Sailor of the Arabian Nights is supposed to have made voyages to Malaysia and the Philippine Archipelago, Strictly fiction?

Marco Polo! When Marco Polo, the Venetian, returned to Europe after a lengthy stay in China and Japan, and possibly other distant regions, he was thrown into prison for his supposed lies concerning these far-away countries. Persons en-

dowed with sufficient imagination have conjectured that Marco Polo included the Philippines in his travels. Fact or fiction?

Alexander the Great] It is commonly believed in Sulu that Alexander the Great and several of his officers once ruled in Jolo. Manila when the Spaniards arrived was a Moro outpost, and its royal family boasted of descent from King Alexfnder. Fact or fiction?